# Fundamentals of history taking

Dr Gayan Ekanayake





To make a complete diagnosis

### Key components of a diagnosis

- Anatomy
- Chronology
- Aetiology
- Pathology
- Complications

#### Now try this as a short case



#### Long case



#### Appendicitis



### Differential diagnosis



## Investigating surgical diseases

#### Types of investigations

- Diagnostic investigations
- Investigations for Patient assessment and disease assessment
- Investigations for aetiopathology
- Investigations for complications
- Investigations for complications of investigation

### Investigate this patient





Treating a surgical patient

### Basic types of treatment and their sequence

- Symptomatic
- Supportive
- Specific
- Primary prevention
- Secondary prevention

#### Treat this patient



#### Short case



### Presenting like a professional

